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DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES
Telecommunications Division

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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th St., SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The State of California hereby submits the following comments with regard to the 8th Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the matter of WT Docket 96-86, "In the Matter of the Development of Operational, Technical and Spectrum Requirements for Meeting Federal, State and Local Public Safety Communications Requirements Through the Year 2010".

The State fully supports the comments of the National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (NPSTC) and of the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials-International (APCO). In particular, we support their recommendations for increasing the flexibility granted to Regional Planning Committees with regard to channel bandwidths in the wideband segments of the 700 MHz and concur with their opposition to making changes to the channelization of the spectrum currently designated for narrowband voice operations.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Glen Nash at (916) 657-9454.

Sincerely,

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